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# WITH TERRIBLE FORCE HEAVY STEEL RAILS ARE DRIVEN THROUGH BODIES OF THREE MEN IN RAILROAD ACCIDENT

Three Men Killed in a Rear End Collision of Engines--Thomas Quinn With Body Cut Off Below Waist and Remaining Portion Horribly Mangled Live for Hour and a Half and Talks Calmly to Attendants.

Engines Back into Each Other Rounding a Curve—One Was Dragging Flat Car of Steel Rails and Shock of collision Drove the Rails Through Bodies of Three Men Sitting on Pilot Between car and Engine—Train crew Jumped and Escaped Injury.

Two men were instantly killed and a third was so horribly mutilated that he died within an hour and a half, though it was miraculous that he lived at all, in a rear end collision of two engines in the Baltimore & Ohio railroad yards near the junction just before eleven o'clock Saturday morning.

THE DEAD ARE:  
 THOMAS QUINN, of Pittsburg.  
 JOHN O'BRIEN.  
 CHARLES SHAFER.

Strong men shuddered, hardened railroad men turned their heads and trackmen shed tears at the sad and awful sight which was presented in a passenger coach which brought the victims of the accident to the depot. Two men through whose bodies heavy steel rails had been driven with a frightful impact lay in the aisle of the coach. Kind hands had thrown clothes over the upper part of their bodies, hiding from view the mangled remains.

A third man lay on the floor of the coach with his resting on the sill of the platform door. His body was cut nearly in two below the abdomen. His right leg was cut entirely off. From an ugly gaping hole in his side his life blood streamed. His arms were crushed and the flesh torn in shreds revealing the bone. Yet in the valley of the shadow of death he lingered for an hour and a half after the accident and then calmly closed his eyes in eternal sleep. During all this time he was perfectly rational and talked, and answered all questions. This man was Thomas Quinn who, as well as the other victims were employees of the track gang of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

Doctors had been hurriedly summoned when the passenger coach arrived at the depot carrying the remains of the killed and the man who was in the throes of death. They at once prepared to render medical attention to the living man, but when they looked and saw the nature of his injuries, they shuddered and drew back, telling those standing by that their services would be of no avail. Quinn asked if he was going to die and when they told him that he had only a short time to live he requested that a Presbyterian minister be sent to administer unto him. Calls were sent for the nearest minister and shortly Rev. S. K. Arbuthnot arrived and remained with the man in prayer until his spirit took its flight. Quinn talked calmly to those attending him. One or twice he asked for a drink of water. He suffered no great pain only complaining now and then that he was very sick. The shock of the terrible collision was so great that actual pain was dulled and benumbed.

The collision occurred in the west end of the railroad yards, east of the junction and just opposite the Hazel-Atlas glass factory, where the tracks curve around the spur of Pinickinnick hill. A third engine No. 1646, in charge of Engineer Thad Teter, Fireman T. M. Moore and Conductor Frank Milstead, was coming east. It had been to Wilsonburg switching cars and was returning to the Clarksburg yards with orders giving them the right of way east to their destination. The engine was run-

ing backward. In turning the bend around the spur of the hill the tender of No. 1246 crashed into the tender of construction engine No. 308, which was running in the opposite direction, and also backwards. No. 308 was dragging a flat truck on which were loaded about twenty-five steel rails, which the workmen had been using in track construction. The flat truck was being dragged by the engine, coupled to the pilot hawser. On the pilot of No. 308 three men, Quinn, Shafer and O'Brien, were sitting. The shock of the collision was so great that the steel rails were thrown with terrific impact towards the engine. The rails struck the men sitting on the pilot. The rails were thrown with such force that those which struck the unfortunate men were driven clean through their bodies.

The fireman, engineer and conductor on No. 1246, seeing the engine coming jumped and alighted on the ground uninjured. The train crew on No. 308 also saw the inevitable collision and jumped in time to escape injury. Several trackmen on the flat truck jumped off and also escaped. The three men sitting between the engine and the flat truck had no warning and were crushed to death by the steel rails.

Engineer Will Wright, Fireman Dellet Lawson and Conductor Bud Tucker were on No. 308. They all escaped injury.

The remains of the men who were killed were picked up and placed on a passenger coach which was brought to the scene of the accident. Quinn was tenderly borne into the car and laid on the floor and the coach was towed to the depot as above stated.

The bodies of the men who met instant death were terribly mangled. Shafer's head was mashed into a pulp. The rails were driven through their bodies above the waist.

The remains of all three were removed to the undertaking establishment of the Clifford Osborn undertaking company and prepared for burial. Coroner W. P. Culp was not notified of the accident until the remains were taken to the undertakers. He then took charge of the case and began an investigation into the matter.

Mistaken orders, or the failure of delivering orders to engine No. 308, is supposed to have been the cause of the accident. No. 1246 had received orders to proceed through to Clarksburg and the orders gave it the right of way. It seems that the trainmen of No. 308 had not been given orders of the former engine's right of way.

Neither of the two engines were derailed. Engine No. 1246 was not injured to any great extent. Engine No. 308 and its tender was mangled and battered but did not leave the rails. The tender was crushed up against the boiler and the cab sides splintered. It was smashed up badly where the other engine struck it and the steel rails that were hurled from the flat truck were driven clear through the front iron work and lower part of the engine where the men were sitting. The engine and car were towed in into the yards. The engine is practically useless but it may be possible to repair it for future use.

So far as is known at present the dead men are all single and leave no relatives. They were employed on the construction gang of the railroad.

## AIR TANK EXPLODES

In Railroad Machine Shops, Killing One Man and Injuring Many, Besides Wrecking Building Very Badly.

By Associated Press.

Meadville, Pa., April 2--An air tank in the Erie Railroad machine shops here exploded to-day, kinning one man and injuring many. The building is badly wrecked.

The man killed was John Frederick, fireman, and six others injured. Some will die.

## INITIATED

Many Candidate at the Meeting of the Local Maccabees and Elected Delegates to State Meeting.

The Maccabees, at their meeting Friday night added many to their membership. Twenty candidates were initiated into the tent here and two at Wilsonburg. Those taken into the local tent were, P. W. Goff, L. A. Frum, D. Grant House, C. L. Gardiner, O. D. Gainer, H. G. Hunter, A. G. Villers, F. E. Jett, H. Lambotte, P. T. Necos, B. Smell, G. G. Lynch, D. H. Felner, W. A. Harre, L. Motelle, W. E. Cox, J. L. Stealey, Earl Wimer, J. G. Boggs and V. E. Ritter. Those taken in for Wilsonburg were C. A. Snyder and F. E. Scanes.

E. B. Hardesty was elected representative to the State meeting in Wheeling, May 3, and E. F. Goodwin, alternate. State Commander C. C. Showalter, of Parkersburg, was present and had charge of the initiatory rites.

## MRS. ASH IS DEAD

Succumbs to Bright's Disease After Long Illness and Much Suffering--Funeral at Mt. Clare.

Mrs. Angeline Ash, wife of Isaac P. R. Ash, died at 11:45 o'clock Friday night at her home in Broad Oaks, after a long illness of Bright's disease and much suffering.

Short funeral services will be held at the home at ten o'clock Sunday morning and the remains will be taken to the Methodist Episcopal church, at Mount Clare, where the funeral sermon will be preached. Interment will be in the Adkinson cemetery at that place.

Mrs. Ash was formerly the widow of Jesse Switzer, and is Mr. Ash's second wife. She is survived by her daughter, Miss Icie Switzer, the husband and a number of relatives. She was a very excellent woman and had many friends who mourn her demise. Her age was 66 years.

## LABOR COUNCIL'S BALL DISCUSSED AT MEETING

At the meeting of the Trades and Labor Council Friday night the principal business was the matter of arranging the details for the grand ball the council will give in the Union land park April 13. The committee made their reports. A street car will run to the park every 15 minutes, beginning at 8 o'clock and continuing until 1 o'clock.

## BIG FIRE AT BENWOOD

By Associated Press.  
 Wheeling, W. Va., April 2--Fire destroyed the five story flats owned by Holderman brothers in Benwood to-day and several other buildings. Three hundred foreigners who occupied the flats narrowly escaped. George Heffall Baker is reported as missing. The loss is \$30,000.

## MAN BURNED TO DEATH.

By Associated Press.  
 Washington, Ind., April 2--Frank Morgan, living near Montgomery, was burned to death in a barn last night. The fire is supposed to have caught from a lantern, while he was attending a sick horse.

## PROMINENT FARMER IS DEAD

JOSEPH HAMMOND, SR., SUCUMBES TO LAGRIFFE SUDDENLY AFTER AN ILLNESS OF TEN DAYS.

CONTRACTED FATAL DISEASE IN CINCINNATI, WHERE HE WENT TO RECEIVE TREATMENT FOR AN AILMENT.

Deceased Was One of the County's Thrifty, Honest, Upright, Honorable and Well-to-Do Citizens and Made a Success of Life Worthy of Emulation.

The funeral of Joseph Hammond, Sr., was held at his late residence on Lambert's Run, at three o'clock Friday afternoon and interment was in the family cemetery on Gregory's Run.

Mr. Hammond died suddenly at five o'clock Wednesday evening. A couple of weeks ago he went to Cincinnati and took treatment for rupture, but contracted a severe cold while in that city and upon his return ten days prior to his death he was seized with lagrippe. He had been some better and sat up an hour or so before the fatal attack seized him. It was thought he was on the road to recovery but shortly before he died he went into a spasm, from which he did not recover.

The deceased was born at what is now O'Neil, on Limestone creek, in 1822, and he was therefore in his 83d year. Sixty years ago he married Susannah Ash, the daughter of Peter Ash, deceased, and sister of Isaac P. R. Ash, of this city. They settled on Limestone creek, but in a year or so moved to the home, where his death occurred. By their thrift and industry, they acquired a handsome farm of many acres and from time to time purchased additional lands, until he was among the most well-to-do farmers of the county.

Eight children were born to them, namely, John Hammond, Amanda C. Payne, who is the wife of Genius Payne, of Salem, Margaret Hammond, deceased, Joseph A. Hammond, Peter H. Hammond, Andrew Jackson Hammond, deceased, Sarah Etta Elliott, who is the wife of George Elliott, and E. W. Hammond.

Mr. Hammond was an honorable, upright citizen, an excellent neighbor and a splendid citizen. There are many who mourn his death.

## SOLDIERS BURIED

At Port Arthur With Military Honors in the Chinese Cemetery--No Change in the War Situation.

By Associated Press.

Port Arthur, April 2--There is no change in the war situation here. The Japanese killed in the last attack were buried to-day in the Chinese cemetery with military honors. It is hoped the Japanese fire ships sunk here may be raised.

## RESERVOIR PATROLLED

By Hundreds of Men on Horseback and Danger Will Be Over in Ten Hours.

By Associated Press.

Port Arthur, Ohio, April 2--The water in the Grand reservoir began falling gradually this morning. It is believed all danger of a break of the bank will be over in ten hours. Hundreds of men strengthened the banks, which are constantly patrolled by men on horseback.

## EVANGELISTIC SERVICES WERE VERY SUCCESSFUL

A great audience filled Goff M. E. church to its utmost capacity last night and greatly enjoyed the evangelistic services conducted by evangelists Mrs. Lizzie Smith and Miss Minnie Shay. Mrs. Smith talked upon a vital Christian theme for three quarters of an hour and held the closest attention of all. Miss Shay sang two selected pieces, which only increased her good reputation as a singer of the gospel. Misses Blanche Hursey and Nellie Fletcher sang "Unanswered Yet," very effectively. Altogether it was a splendid meeting.

Mrs. Smith left for Philadelphia at 9:45 last evening, but Miss Shay, yielding to the importunities of her numerous friends in Clarksburg has consented to remain here over Sunday and will sing at both the morning and evening services. Miss Shay will also conduct special evangelistic service at Goff M. E. church at 2:30 p. m. All are invited.

## DEATHS AT WALLACE

Occur at Wallace, Two Prominent Ladies Dying the Same Day, Namely, Mrs. Dawson and Mrs. Lyon.

Mrs. W. L. Dawson, wife of W. L. Dawson, of Wallace, was buried Friday afternoon at two o'clock in the Fonda cemetery. She died at three o'clock Thursday afternoon. Her age was 47 years. The husband and two grown daughters survive.

Mrs. Grant Lyon, of that place also, died Thursday night at about 35 years of age. The funeral was held at ten o'clock Saturday morning and the interment was in the cemetery at that place.

## NEWSBOYS

Of the Clarksburg Daily Papers Enjoy Trolley Ride and Easter Egg Hunt at Union Park Given By Mrs. W. Harrison Jackson.

The carrier boys employed on the Daily Telegram and the Clarksburg Daily News were given a very enjoyable and delightful outing Saturday afternoon by Mrs. W. Harrison Jackson, of 106 West Pike street. At a quarter of one o'clock the boys gathered together at Mrs. Jackson's home in answer to her invitation, and the party boarded a street car for a trolley ride. They had a very pleasant time journeying around about the city. The trolley ride was ended by the party being taken to the Union Land park, where a picnic and a novel Easter egg hunt was held. Beautiful candy Easter eggs had been previously hidden in the park and the object was to find as many as one could and to find above all the special prize egg. The picnic ended in time for the boys to get their papers delivered on their regular routes. They all enjoyed a fine time and are very grateful to Mrs. Jackson for her kindness.

## FRIENDS OF MURDERED MINE BOSS

Are Raising a Purse to Present to His Widow By Raffleing Off a Handsome Gold Watch and Beautiful Sideboard.

Friends of the late Mine Boss Frank Flaherty, who was murdered by unknown parties at the Pinickinnick mining camp three months ago, are raising a purse to present to his widow. A handsome one hundred dollar gold watch and a beautiful fifty dollar sideboard will be raffled off. Tickets are being sold for one dollar each by those taking a part in the movement. The watch is an exhibition in the front window of J. F. Krohne's jewelry store, on Third street and the sideboard is at the Home Furnishing Company's place, on Main street. The raffle is in charge of a committee representing a large number of the intimate friends of the murdered man.

## WAVES DRIVEN

By Heavy West Wind All Night Against Walls of Reservoir But There Is No Break.

By Associated Press.

Celina, Ohio, April 2--A heavy west wind all night drove the waves against the east bank of the reservoir, but the banks were not broken at nine o'clock this morning.

It is thought now the worst is past. The west wind is rising again causing the east bank to be weakened. The canal has been drained to carry off the water, if a break occurs.

## Waters Are Falling.

By Associated Press.

Canton, Ohio, April 2--The crest of the flood has been reached and the waters are falling. Railroads are getting most trains through on delayed schedules.

## BROKERAGE BUSINESS CLOSES.

Otto W. Moore has closed out his stock brokerage office in the Rookery building and has accepted a position with F. E. Delbridge & Company, engaged in the same kind of business in the Irwin building.

## THIBETAN GENERAL KILLED.

By Associated Press.

Tuna, Thibet, April 2--The Thibetan general, the whole of his personal escort and five High Lhasa officials, were among the hundreds killed in fighting of March 31 at Gurn.

## GARBAGE CODE IS DISCUSSED BY COUNCIL

But Definite Action Was Deferred in Order to Insert Clauses Creating the Office of Superintendent of That Department.

Electric Light Bill Discussed by Colonel Seely as Well as the Floor in the Lobby of the Traders Hotel--Handsome Gift From Police and Office Forces Presented to Mayor Crile.

The city council met in regular session Friday evening with Councilmen Kearns, McAndrew, Hurst, Kelley, Moore, Ernest, Hart, Seely and Law, Mayor Crile, Clerk Cole, Engineer Britt, Collector Steele and Health Officer Peck in attendance.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was suspended.

City Engineer D. D. Britt submitted and explained a map of the streets, sewerage and water systems, electric lights of the first ward. It was ordered that the contract be awarded to Mr. Britt to furnish three blue prints of such maps as that submitted of all the wards of the city, one for the mayor, one for the council chamber and one for general use, all properly rolled and framed, at a total cost of \$200.

Mr. Britt submitted a map of the change of the streets ordered at the Catholic church, as agreed upon by the church, subject to the decision of the council, the church giving a strip of ground to widen the street, the church asking the city to put in a curb and six-foot brick walk on the south side of the street, where the change is made.

It was directed that an agreement on the subject be submitted by the church at the next meeting of the council.

Dr. Peck called attention of the necessity of putting in a sewer extension at the Walthour candy factory. The water commissioner was directed to put it in. A small piece of board walk on Elk street, near the Catholic church, was ordered built.

Chairman Moore, of the street committee, stated that the committee and street superintenden had been busy the past two weeks getting the streets in shape for summer.

At Councilman Hart's suggestion, the city health officer was directed to notify the people of Clarksburg through the newspapers to clean their premises and put them in sanitary condition.

Bills were ordered paid as follows:

Water works pay roll	\$ 139.89
Street pay roll	510.00
Dudley D. Britt	51.00
Garlock Packing Co.	10.65
D. K. Reed	9.64
Johnson & Watson	5.90
B. & O. R. R. Co.	9.05
Regrad Publishing Co.	16.00
A. A. Hickenbottom	5.50
Electric Light Co.	371.90
Dr. N. Peck	1.00

Chairman Kelley reported that the pump station connections ordered would have been made this week if it had not rained.

Charles A. Danley petitioned for a retaining wall at his property on Cemetery lane. The matter was referred to the street committee with power to act. Petition of Margaret Z. Pugh for exoneration of taxes on \$600, was reported to the city collector to adjust.

The saloon license of Jenius Jasper was transferred to Murray & Haunon. The peddler's license of Riblett & McLaughlin was transferred to A. A. Riblett.

Councilman Kelley directed the council's attention to the fact that stench arises from the crematory and that he thought there was inefficiency. He suggested that a committee be appointed to look into the matter.

Councilman Seely informed council that he had been told by one who is experienced in the business that the mixer is too large and that is what causes the trouble.

The matter was referred to the sanitation committee to report at the next meeting.

Collector J. R. Steele made his usual monthly report with that regularity and promptness that have characterized him ever since he began to hold the office. He showed that he had collected since the date of his last report \$2,237.29, and paid out \$4,743.12.

Dr. Peck's bill for \$339 for treating

small pox patients was presented but no action was taken on it.

The report of the fire chief was presented and filed.

Councilman Seely informed the council that since he had never asked the council for any thing for himself, and then he asked council to kindly have the lobby of the Traders hotel paved. It was the voice of the council to grant his request although definite action was not taken.

Councilman Seely also thought that dead dogs and cats should not be buried by the city but taken to the crematory. He also claimed that the city was paying exorbitant prices for its electric lights and presented figures showing how much more the city pays than private consumers.

At the close of the session Councilman Kelley on behalf of the police and office forces of the city in a very clever little speech presented Mayor Crile with an Elks' emblematic watch chain, a costly and handsome token of their esteem. Mayor Crile was taken very much by surprise, but managed to express his gratitude in a few touching remarks.

The ordinance committee introduced a lengthy code to govern the garbage and crematory department, but it did not prove entirely satisfactory and was re-committed to the ordinance and sanitation committees to change so as to provide for a superintendent of garbage.

## WOMAN TAKES TUMBLE

MRS. DELLA WORSTELL FALLS OFF RAILROAD ABUTMENT AT FOOT OF FERRY STREET.

Plunged Through Space Fully Fifteen Feet, But Luckily For Her Her Injuries Are Not Serious--Back Considerably Hurt and Bruised.

Mrs. Della Worstell, nee Sullivan, fell off the abutment of the railroad bridge at the foot of Ferry street, on the West Virginia and Pittsburg division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, about ten o'clock Friday night. It appears she was in that neighborhood visiting some Italians and got just a little too top-heavy from association with old John Barleycorn and that is how she came to take the tumble. She fell fully 15 feet and at first it was thought she was badly hurt. Some of the Italians gave the alarm and West End citizens telephoned to police headquarters for assistance. Chief of Police John Howe and Mayor Crile were notified by the janitor of the building that a woman had fallen off the abutment and they went to the scene and had her taken to her home on Road street, in Point Comfort. Fortunately for her she was not badly hurt, although her back is considerably injured.

## ATTENTION, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

All members of Clarksburg Commandery, No. 13, Knights Templar, are requested to meet in Masonic hall Sunday morning at 10:15 o'clock in full uniform, without swords, in order to take part in the celebration of the Easteride at the First Presbyterian church.

## FIRST TRAIN RUNS TO GRASSLELL.

The branch railroad line to Grassell has been completed, except some ballasting. The first train to that place ran Friday night. It consisted of an engine and a car loaded with lumber.